THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLIMANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) While details of disciplinary cases in respect of Group 'A* officers of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan at various levels are kept in the Headquarters, those in respect of Group B, C & D are maintained at the Regional Offices and in the Vidyalayas. As regards Group-'A', 11' disciplinary cases have been pending for more than three years. The reasons for delay are Non-cooperation of Charged Officers, Court Cases filed by the Charged Officers, adjournments on the request of Charged Officers, Change of Investigating Officers on the request of Charged Officers, Pre-occupation of Investigating Officers etc. Some cases are pending with the Central Vigilance Commission for second stage advice. There is no protection to any delinquent officials by KVS. To speed up the inquiry proceedings, retired Group *A' officers of Government and Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan are appointed as Inquiry Officers along with the panel of Investigating Officers recommended by C.V.C. to conclude the proceedings within a time frame.

AICTE Sub-Committee on Technical Education

† 2794. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that AICTE has constituted a Sub-Committee, under the Chairmanship of Prof. Ashok Chandra, to review the norms, standards and establishment procedures of Technical Institutions, including IT Courses;

(b) if so, what are the recommendations of the said Committee;

(c) whether these include the matter regarding land required for the institutions;

(d) by when Government would implement the recommendations of Sub-Committee; and

(e) if not, by when Sub-Committee would submit its recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (e) As per the information provided by AICTE, it has constituted a Committee to review the norms, standards and establishment procedures of technical institutions including IT courses. Various branches of technical education are being taken up by the Committee one by one. Procese of discussion is in progress.

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.